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I am a computer professional. I am very concerned about the Microsoft monopoly.

I feel that the settlement is not a deterrent. It will NOT change a thing at Microsoft. They will continue to squash competition.

It is already past the point where any company could possibly compete with Microsoft. It is so far beyond that point that the only possible competitor is a NON-company.

If Linux were a company, it would have been killed by microsoft a long time ago. Apple has such a niche market as to be negligible. The Unix variants are on the way out, except for Linux and possibly BSD.

Be aware of microsoft's .NET strategy. The battle for the desktop is over. They are well entrenched and fighting hard for the battle for the server. They have incredible penetration in the handheld market. With ".NET" they will own the internet, and everyone's experience on the internet.

DO NOT BELIEVE Microsoft if they say Linux is a competitor. It is not... It is not even a corporate entity! Nobody can possibly compete against Microsoft. It's been that way for a long time. Only you can change that.

Thanks,

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